

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

Faculty of Engineering

Minutes of Meeting No. 77.12

of the

Engineering Faculty Council

held

Friday, 9 December 1977

Present: M.N.S. Swamy (Chairman); Professors Antoniou, Fazio, Joly, Krakow, Krantzberg, Lindsay, Mattar, Osman, Pekau, Ramamurthy, Sankar, Troitsky, Xistris; Z. Jirkowsky (Library representative); D. Gladstone, M. Lehaye, S. Chockalingam (Student representatives); Prof. J.C. Giguere (Secretary)

Visitors: O. Schwelb, T. Cameron

Motion 1. Council unanimously adopted a motion to approve the published
77-12-1 agenda with the addition of

7.1 Student comments

Motion 2. Council unanimously adopted a motion to approve the minutes of
77-12-2 meeting No. 77-11 with the following correction

R. Kaufman to be listed among those present

3. General Meeting of the Faculty

Chairman informed Council that this will be held in January. All full-time faculty in Engineering and Computer Science will be invited. It is expected that each chairman of the committees of EFC, of engineering departments, Computer Science and the Director of the Centre for Building Studies will be asked to present a report. It was suggested that Prof. Giguere act as secretary for the meeting. Prof. Giguere stated that he would consider the invitation in consultation with the Dean.

4. Chairmanship of Electrical Engineering

The Chairman welcomed Dr. Antoniou as the new Chairman of Electrical Engineering. He noted that the department had been asked to provide a replacement for Dr. Antoniou as "A" councillor.

5. Cheating

The Assistant Dean drew Council's attention to Doc. 77-12-1, the proposal currently before Senate and to Doc. 77-12-2, the recommendations of EUSC. It was agreed to consider Doc. 77-12-1, item by item, and that Prof. Lindsay would present the EUSC re-

commendations as appropriate.

Secretary's note: In Motions 77-12-3 to 14, the word approved will be taken to mean approved for recommendation to Senate. References to articles are to those of Doc. 77-12-1.

Motion 77-12-3 6. Council unanimously approved article I.1 as amended by Doc. 77-12-2.

Motion 77-12-4 7. Council unanimously approved article I.2 as amended by Doc. 77-12-2.

Motion 77-12-5 8. Council unanimously adopted a motion to approve articles I.3 to I.6.

Motion 77-12-6 9. Council unanimously adopted a motion to approve article II.1 with the deletion under item II.1(b) of "for the purpose of taking of an examination."

Motion 77-12-7 10. Council adopted a motion to approve article II.2 as amended by section 2 of Doc. 77-12-2.

(11 for, 1 against, 1 recorded abstention)

Motion 77-12-8 11. Council unanimously adopted a motion to approve article II.3, as amended by item 3 of Doc. 77-12-2.

Motion 77-12-9 12. Council unanimously adopted a motion to approve article II.4, as amended by item 4 of Doc. 77-12-2.

Motion 77-12-10 13. Council unanimously adopted a motion to replace articles 7-11 by the provisions set out in Doc. 77-9-2 it being noted that items 2.2 and 2.4 of Doc. 77-9-2 should be reworded to note that the responsibility for notifying the student of a charge of cheating lies with the Registrar.

Motion 77-12-11 14. Council considered a motion to approve article 14 as amended by Doc. 77-12-2.

Motion 77-12-12 15. Council adopted a motion to amend Motion 77-12-11 by adding the following additional sanctions:

- suspension from the University for the remainder of the academic year, with the requirement that the student apply for readmission
- suspension from the University for the year, as well as one further academic year, with the requirement that the student apply for readmission
- expulsion from the University.

(8 in favour, 1 against, 1 recorded abstention)

16. It was argued that expulsion be the only possible penalty for cheating, this being the case at many of the better American universities. It was counter-argued that if this were the case, then there would be fewer charges of cheating and fewer convictions since many invigilators and panels would be reluctant to be involved in a process which would lead to expulsion. The benefits in terms of increased honesty amongst students are questionable.
17. The Chair was asked if, in view of Motion 77-11-23, a 2/3 majority was required to approve Motion 77-12-12. The Chair agreed that, as the present motion directly contradicted the intent of Motion 77-11-23, a 2/3 majority would be needed.
18. Motion 77-12-12 was voted on, but a 2/3 majority in favour was not obtained (9 in favour, 6 against). The motion was declared defeated.

19. It was noted that as a result of the above, article 15 should be deleted, and article 16 should be re-worded.

Motion 77-12-13 20. Council unanimously adopted a motion to approve article 17 as amended by Doc. 77-12-2.

Motion 77-12-14 21. Council unanimously adopted a motion to approve Doc. 77-12-1 as amended by Motions 77-12-3 to 13.

22. Library Loan Policy

Prof. Mattar noted that Council had been requested to reconsider loans policies on bound periodicals, unbound periodicals, and current issues of periodicals. Current policy is that these materials may not be loaned, but could be made available on a short-term basis (1/2 hour) for photocopying.

Motion 77-12-15 23. Council defeated a motion to recommend to Senate that bound periodicals be on loan from the Library for 48 hours.

(5 in favour, 6 against)

Motion 77-12-16 24. Council adopted a motion to recommend to Senate that bound periodicals be made available for 3 hours for photocopying purposes.

(11 in favour, 1 against)

Motion 77-12-17 25. Council unanimously adopted a motion to recommend to Senate that unbound periodicals be made available for 3 hours for photocopying purposes.

Motion 77-12-18 26. Council adopted a motion to recommend to Senate that current issues of periodicals be made available for 3 hours for photocopying purposes.

(6 in favour, 3 against)

27. Graduate Curriculum Changes

The Assistant Dean noted that Docs. 77-12-5 and -6 had been circulated as EGSC had not yet had the opportunity to consider the matter when the agenda for the current meeting was circulated. EGSC's recommendations are contained in Doc. 77-12-7. He noted that the designation ENGR should be removed.

Motion
77-12-19

28. Council considered a motion to approve Doc. 77-12-7.

Motion
77-12-20

29. Council approved a motion to amend Motion 77-12-19 by removing "and as a permanent in 79/80".

(9 in favour, 7 against)

30. Council unanimously adopted Motion 77-12-19 as amended by Motion 77-12-20.

31. CIT Films

Prof. Sankar noted that there exists the possibility of procuring films through CIT. He had attempted to do so, but was informed that CIT's budget for this purpose was exhausted. The Chairman agreed to investigate the matter.

32. Textbook Orders

Mr. Gladstone noted that there were insufficient textbooks for MECH. C441/2. Prof. Xistris responded that the enrolment in the course had been larger than anticipated.